

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 21-24 without prejudice, and amend the claims as follows:

1-25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently Amended) [[The]] An electroless processing system of claim 21, comprising:

a factory interface having a substrate transfer robot positioned therein, the factory interface being configured to communicate with at least one substrate containing cassette; and

at least two substrate processing modules in detachable communication with the factory interface, each of the at least two substrate processing modules including a pretreatment/post treatment cell and an electroless processing cell, wherein the at least two substrate processing modules are interchangeable.

27. (Currently Amended) [[The]] An electroless processing system of claim 21, comprising:

a factory interface having a substrate transfer robot positioned therein, the factory interface being configured to communicate with at least one substrate containing cassette; and

at least two substrate processing modules in detachable communication with the factory interface, each of the at least two substrate processing modules including a pretreatment/post treatment cell and an electroless processing cell, wherein the pretreatment/post treatment cells are interchangeable within the processing system.

28. (Currently Amended) [[The]] An electroless processing system of claim 21, comprising:

a factory interface having a substrate transfer robot positioned therein, the factory interface being configured to communicate with at least one substrate containing cassette; and

at least two substrate processing modules in detachable communication with the factory interface, each of the at least two substrate processing modules including a

pretreatment/post treatment cell and an electroless processing cell, wherein the electroless processing cells are interchangeable within the processing system.

29-31. (Canceled)